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LaGrange, April 25th, 1862.

The Georgia Baptist Convention met at the Baptist house of worship, in this city, at 10½ o'clock. The appointee of last Convention, brother L. R. L. Jennings, and his alternate, brother A. VanHoose, both being absent, brother J. H. DeVotie, of Columbus, preached the Introductory Sermon, from Mar. 16: 16.

The Moderator appointed a Committee on Credentials, to report to the afternoon session, and adjourned till three o'clock.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Opened with prayer by brother B. F. Tharp. The Committee on Credentials reported the following persons entitled to seats as delegates of the Convention:

Apalachee Association—B. S. Sheats.

Bethel Association—J. T. Clark, James Clark, Wm. L. Mansfield, S. G. Daniel, W. N. Chaudoin.

Central Association—S. Boykin, D. E. Butler, T. J. Burney, A. Sherwood, E. W. Warren.

Columbus Association—J. H. DeVotie, M. J. Wellborn, J. G. Johnson.

Ebenezer Association—H. Bunn, G. R. McCall.

Flint River Association—J. H. Campbell, W. G. McMichael, A. VanHoose.

Georgia Association—P. H. Mell, N. M. Crawford, Thomas Stocks, H. C. Peek, J. H. Kilpatrick, H. A. Tupper.

Hezibah Association—A. J. Huntington, Wm. H. Davis, E. R. Carswell, G. W. Evans.

Middle Association—Joseph Blitch.

Rehoboth Association—G. T. Wilburn, B. F. Tharp.

Sarepta Association—I. W. Johnson, Thos. B. Moss.

Stone Mountain Association—W. Thames, A. K. Tribble, T. A. Gibbs, A. T. Holmes, H. C. Hornady, J. P. Tippin.

Sunbury Association—S. Landrum.

Western Association—E. B. Teague, J. G. Fry, James Culberson, James Rainwater, J. H. Hall, W. H. Robert, W. A. Calloway, B. C. Johnson, L. J. Robert, J. E. Robinson, J. H. Calloway, I. M. Autery.

Second Atlanta Baptist Church—S. Root.

Second Atlanta Baptist Church Missionary Society—W. T. Brantly.

Augusta Baptist Church Missionary Society—J. J. Pearce.

Antioch Baptist Church Missionary Society—Wm. Edwards.

Lumpkin Baptist Church Missionary Society—Wm. L. Mansfield.

Madison Baptist Church Missionary Society—D. E. Butler, T. J. Burney.

Mercer University Missionary Society—U. W. Wise.

Macon Baptist Church Missionary Society—F. M. Haygood.

White Plains Baptist Church Missionary Society—J. H. Kilpatrick.

Greensborough Baptist Church Missionary Society—Thomas Stocks.

Re elected brother P. H. Mell Moderator. Brothers J. F. Dagg and C. M. Irwin, the former Clerk and Assistant Clerk, being absent, E. W. Warren was elected Clerk, and D. E. Butler Assistant Clerk.

The Reporters present were invited to seats near the Clerk's table.

The presence of M. T. Sumner, Agent and Corresponding Secretary of the Domestic and Indian Mission Boards, was recognized.

The Moderator appointed the following committees :

On Business—N. M. Crawford, W. H. Davis, S. Boykin, W. G. McMichael, B. F. Tharr, J. H. Campbell, G. W. Evans.

On Preaching—E. B. Teague, James Culberson, M. J. Wellborn, I. W. Johnson, B. S. Sheats, William Edwards, Thomas B. Moss.

On Finance—S. Root, U. W. Wise, P. A. Lawson.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and referred to the following committee: S. Landrum, H. Bunn, J. H. Campbell, A. J. Huntington.

Agreed to observe the following as the hours of meeting and adjourning, during this session: Meet at 9 A. M. and 3 P. M., and adjourn at 12½ and 5 P. M.

The following brethren presented themselves in response to a call for correspondents :

From the Cherokee Baptist Convention—James Barrow.

Alabama Baptist Convention—C. Battle, J. W. Williams, W. R. Jones, S. Henderson, M. T. Sumner and A. Borders.

Agreed to spend a half hour in prayer for our country to-morrow morning, before the meeting of the Convention.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock. Prayer by brother Landrum.

SATURDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by brother S. Henderson.

The minute of yesterday was read and amended, and the names of delegates called and the roll perfected by the addition of such as came in after the adjournment of yesterday.

The committee on business made their report, which was adopted as the order of business for the session.

The Moderator announced the following committees :

On Nominations—G. W. Evans, Thomas A. Gibbs, J. E. Robinson, J. J. Pearce, T. J. Burney, Thomas Stocks, J. H. Calloway.

On Education—S. G. Daniel, G. T. Wilburn, J. G. Fry, William H. Davis, W. L. Mansfield, J. T. Clark, A. K. Tribble.

Deceased Ministers—A. Sherwood, W. N. Chaudoin, J. H. Devotie, A. E. Marshall, B. F. Tharp, J. H. Kilpatrick, A. T. Holmes.

Missions—W. T. Brantly, J. G. Johnson, E. R. Carswell, W. Thames, E. B. Teague, G. R. McCall.

The amount of one hundred dollars, sent up by brethren T. B. and J. Q. West, together with amounts brought up by other brethren, which were not designated to any particular purpose, were equally divided between the Foreign and Indian Mission Boards.

Ministers of our own denomination were invited to seats with us. The invitation was accepted by J. R. Calloway and A. C. Dayton.

The report on systematic beneficence, the preparation of which was ordered at last Convention, was read by M. J. Wellborn, and unanimously adopted, to which we refer the reader's special attention.

The Treasurer of the Convention read his annual report, which was ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The recommendation of brethren Walker and Foster, the auditing committee, to turn over to the widow of the late John E. Dawson a note which he had made as a subscription to Mercer Institute, was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Mercer University was read by brother Landrum, and referred to the following committee: A. J. Huntington, H. A. Tupper, A.

T. Holmes, F. M. Haygood, H. C. Hornady, William A. Calloway, A. K. Tribble.

The order of business was suspended to hear the following resolution, offered by brother Sheats :

Resolved, That, as the Indigent Ministers' Fund was intended to be distributed annually amongst our preachers, the committee be instructed to pay it out annually.

The Convention agreed to give way to the Georgia B. B. and Colporteur Society this P. M. at 4 o'clock.

Appointed the following correspondents :

Alabama State Convention—J. T. Clark, M. J. Wellborn, J. H. Hall.

Cherokee Baptist Convention—N. M. Crawford, S. Root, H. C. Hornady, M. J. Wellborn, W. T. Brantly.

Union Association—Joseph Blich.

South Carolina Convention—D. E. Butler, G. W. Evans, L. J. Robert.

Appointed the next session of the Convention to be held with the Baptist Church in Griffin, at the usual time.

The election of Treasurer and Executive Committee was made the order of business first on assembling this P. M.

On motion of brother Root,

Resolved, That we, as members of the Georgia Baptist Convention, express our gratification at the recent judicious and patriotic action of the Governor of Georgia in the suppression of distilleries in the State.

Received the report of the special committee on the report of Executive Committee.

After short and pointed appeals from brethren Wellborn, Tharp, VanHoose, Sumner and DeVotie, a collection was taken up for brother Campbell, as State Evangelist and Missionary among the soldiers, amounting to \$151.00.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock. Prayer by brother Hornady.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Opened with prayer by brother Jones, of Alabama.

Elected the following as the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Thomas Stocks, T. J. Burney, D. E. Butler, S. G. Hillyer, Joseph E. Willet, N. M. Crawford and J. R. Sanders. Treasurer, T. J. Burney.

Brother Hornady moved to take from the table a resolution offered this morning by E. W. Warren. His motion having prevailed, he offered the following as a substitute, which, after eliciting several interesting addresses, was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed from this Convention to memorialize our Government so to shape our national affairs as to prevent, as far as possible, the violation of the Sabbath by those in its employment, in the discharge of their official duties.

The following were appointed on that committee: E. W. Warren, H. C. Hornady, A. Sherwood, J. H. DeVotie and S. Boykin.

Brother DeVotie offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention request its Moderator to prepare a tract on the subject of violating the Sabbath day—and the Geo. B. B. & Colporteur Society be requested to print and circulate it among the soldiers, and wherever it may do good.

The hour of four o'clock having arrived, the Convention gave place to the Georgia B. B. and Colporteur Society, and adjourned till 9 o'clock Monday morning.

7½ o'clock, P. M.—A missionary mass meeting was held, at which interesting addresses were delivered by brethren Hornady, DeVotie and Sumner: at the conclusion a collection was taken for missions amounting to about \$600.

SABBATH.—The Annual Education Sermon was preached at the Baptist house of worship at 10½ o'clock by Bro. N. M. Crawford, from 2d Tim. 3: 16--17. Bro. Campbell preached at 4 o'clock to the colored people. Bro. Huntington at 10½ o'clock at the Presbyterian house of worship, and Bro. Sherwood at 4 P. M. Bro. Brantly at the Methodist house of worship at 10½ A. M., and Bro. Landrum at night. The Georgia B. B. and Colporteur Society held its anniversary meeting at the Baptist house of worship at night, at which Bro. Brantly delivered the address.

The attendance at the several places of worship was good, and the sermons heard with fixed attention and interest.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. A. Vanhooose.

Agreed to the motion of Bro. Campbell to appoint a committee of three on the state of the country. The Moderator appointed the following brethren on that committee: J. H. Campbell, E. B. Teague, and H. A. Tupper.

The report on deceased ministers was read by Bro. G. T. Wilburn, and referred back to the committee to be perfected by the addition of other names.

Agreed to turn over unappropriated funds sent up for missions to the Domestic Board.

The Southern Bible Board having been suspended, by the invasion of the enemy, the funds sent up for it were ordered to be turned over to the Georgia B. B. and Colporteur So. to purchase Testaments to be distributed among the soldiers. All other unappropriated funds were ordered to be given to the Baptist Bible and Colporteur Society, to be expended in the distribution of religious Books, Tracts and Testaments, among the soldiers, not subject to any diminution for salary.

Adopted the following Report of the Committee on Nominations: Bro. W. T. Brantly to preach the next Introductory Sermon; Bro. P. H. Mell, Alternate. Bro. A. J. Huntington to preach the Education Sermon, and Bro. E. B. Teague, Alternate.

Adopted the following Report of the Special Committee on the Report of the Executive Committee:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On examination of the report of the Executive Committee, we find but little requiring special attention. Evidently the committee take good care of the important interests committed to their trust. It is a noteworthy fact that the applications for aid on the part of the candidates for the ministry have been unusually great during the past year. We deeply regret that the committee has found any embarrassment in receiving such young brethren, from the difficulty of collecting the interest of the Educational Fund. It is desirable that the committee should continue to aid in the education of suitable brethren having the ministry in view, to the full extent of their ability.

The committee request instructions from the Convention, whether

appropriations to the Indigent Ministers' Fund shall be confined to the limits of the Georgia Baptist Convention, or shall be extended to indigent ministers within the State. Your committee recommend that donations from this fund be confined to the limits of the State, and that preference be given always to indigent ministers within the limits of this Convention. The fund is greatly needed, and we trust it may be so increased from year to year as to aid and comfort our worn-out and needy brethren of the ministry.

The Executive committee allude to the fact that Bro. Jesse H. Campbell has recently been engaged as Colporteur among the soldiers on the coast, and urge upon the brethren contributions for his support. Your committee believe that the plan of the Domestic Board of Missions for sustaining missionaries at our principal military posts is a good and hopeful one. The Board is ready to place Bro. Campbell or some other suitable brother on the coast of Georgia so soon as the funds can be secured. Let the funds be placed in the hands of the Domestic Board for this object, and then there will be something definite and reliable in reference to Bro. Campbell's support.

Your committee recommend, in conclusion, the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the members of the Executive Committee for the efficient and gratuitous performance of the labor assigned them by this body.

Respectfully submitted,

S. LANDRUM, Chairman.

The following report on Missions was read by Bro. Brantly, and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The Committee on Missions report the satisfaction which they have experienced in finding that the churches continue to make to the mission cause contributions which, under the circumstances, must be regarded as liberal. The fact shows the deep hold which this cause possesses on the affections of the churches. We are in the midst of one of the most desolating wars with which it has ever pleased God to visit any nation ; our resources have been taxed well nigh to exhaustion in making provision for the brave and patriotic men who have taken the field to repel the invader ; whilst the price of living has been augmented in an enormous ratio, the ordinary income of the great mass of the people has been largely abridged ; and yet, under all these disadvantages, more than *four thousand* dollars have been paid over during the present session of the Convention, by churches and by individuals, to the different objects of benevolence under the patronage of our denomination. Such contributions, under such circumstances, indicate a noble spirit of self-denial for Jesus. They afford a grateful verdure

amid a barren desert—a shining light amid the surrounding gloom. Whilst it is a matter of lamentation that “iniquity abounds, and the love of many waxes cold,” these sacrifices for Christ show that there are some hearts which retain a glowing devotion to the Son of God.—We hope that the spirit which now animates our brethren will continue to pervade them throughout the war. We hope that the day is not distant when, under brighter skies, they may even enlarge their contributions to these sacred enterprises. The primitive Christians sustained the cause of their Divine Master, so zealously, even under calamitous visitations, that the Apostle eulogises them by saying that “in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality.” Let us pray that the grace of God may enable us to imitate their example.

We are happy to learn that our Board in Richmond have been able, under a flag of truce, to send to our missionaries in foreign fields the funds requisite for their support. We are also pleased to know that the recipients of our benefactions among the Indian tribes are in cordial and active sympathy with us in the revolution which is now in progress. Our brethren are also engaged in some systematic effort to preach the Gospel to the soldiers in our camps. In view of all the past, we can, with grateful hearts, write EBENEZER.

W. T. BRANTLY, Chairman.

The report of the Special Committee on the Report of the Trustees of Mercer University was read by Bro. Huntington and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

We concur with the Board in the plan which they report they have adopted, for conducting the operations of the University during the present crisis of our national affairs: and we unite with them, not only in giving utterance to our deep regret at the necessity which exists of accepting the resignation of Profs. Tucker, Hillyer, Wise and Woodfin, but also in expressing the hope that more prosperous times may soon restore them to the offices which they have so ably and faithfully filled in the University. Respectfully submitted,

A. J. HUNTINGTON, Chairman:

On motion of bro. Devotie, ten minutes each were allowed to brethren Boykin, Hornady and Henderson to advocate the claims of their papers. This time they improved by showing the peculiar necessity, at this time, of sustaining religious papers, to supply, as far as possible, the destitution caused by the absence of so many ministers. Bro. Sumner, in a short

address, urged their claims as indispensable auxiliaries to the Mission cause.

The following report on Education, by Bro. S. G. Daniel, was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education report that they have but little of interest to present to the Convention. The scourge of war that now afflicts our common country, has placed its heavy hand on our Educational Institutions, and is still calling our sons and brothers from the peaceful paths of intellectual progress to the strife and carnage of the battlefield. Our own beloved University—founded in the benevolence and nurtured by the affections of our fathers, is sharing, in common with others, the adversities of the national calamity. With much of painful solicitude we witnessed the circumscribing of its genial influence ; the disappointments of its devoted instructors, and the increasing desertions of its honored halls ; but as One who was wiser and mightier than we, has willed that it must be so, we can but bow submissive to the stern decree.

In circumstances such as these, we must wait in patience the developments of the future ; and strong in faith that the present darkness will eventuate in a cloudless day, still cling to our cherished work, and hope for its best success. That education, like its elder and more worthy sister, religion, is of the highest importance to a free people, is a conviction too deeply rooted in the common mind to be obliterated by the hand of passing events ; and hence, when the ordeal assigned us by the Ruler of the universe shall have been passed, we may expect that its temples will again be thronged, and its shrines revered by ardent, willing votaries. That, then, which most concerns us *now*, is not merely that we keep the portals of instruction open, but also, that we make them the most attractive and the most accessible to those whom the claims of war may not inscribe upon the nation's muster roll.—Whatever, therefore, may be the evils entailed, or the advantages secured by the mighty struggle in which we are engaged, let the country school house, and the village academy, and the town high school, and the city college, impart their usual instructions, and the rising race be *urged* and *encouraged* to avail themselves of their proffered blessings. If we do this the star of hope will not set, nor the rainbow of promise disappear.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. G. DANIEL, Chairman.

Bro. Teague, from the Committee on The State of the Country, read the following resolutions. The entire congregation was requested to vote ; and, without a dissenting voice, the Resolutions were adopted.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Resolved, That the Convention heartily, solemnly, and unanimously re-asserts the sentiments, so far as applicable to the present circumstances, of the resolutions on the state of the country, passed at the last session of this body.

Resolved, That while profoundly feeling that our cause is just, we nevertheless have great reason to humble ourselves before Almighty God, and to acknowledge his chastening hand in our late reverses.

Resolved, That we find in the present circumstances of the country no cause for discouragement; that God, our heavenly Father, often chastens most promptly those whom he most loves; and that, trusting in Him with the whole heart, we are more and more determined, by His blessing, to oppose the invader of our soil by every means placed in our power and to the last extremity. J. H. CAMPBELL, Chairman:

Bro. Mansfield offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the pastors of churches within the bounds of this Convention be earnestly requested to bring before their respective charges, in an especial manner, the truths urged in the report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence:

Bro. L. J. Robert offered the following:

Resolved, That our brethren, Brantly and DeVotie, be requested to prepare two tracts, the former on the Evils of Intemperance, and the latter on Profanity, adapted to camp circulation, and that they be recommended to the fostering care of the Bible and Colporteur Society.

On motion of Bro. Stocks :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of LaGrange for the generous hospitality with which we have been entertained.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the officers of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches for the use of their houses of worship.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Railroad Companies which have passed delegates at reduced rates:

On motion of Bro. Landrum,

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to publish 3,000 copies of the minutes of this session and have them circulated in the usual way, and that the Clerk receive \$75 for his services.

Bro. Chaudoin read the following amended report on Deceased Ministers, which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

We are called upon to record in this report, the names of several of our ministering brethren, who have closed their earthly career since our last meeting.

Elder James R. George, died at his residence in Lithonia, DeKalb county, Georgia, April 12th, 1862, in the 65th year of his age. He was for 35 years an humble disciple of Jesus Christ, and for 25 years of the time, an ambassador of his Lord. He was full of years and rich in faith, and gathered as a ripe sheaf into the Heavenly garner.

In January Elder U. M. Mathews, departed this life in Franklin, Hearn county, Ga. Bro. Mathews was for sometime a student in Mercer University, and lived to put in practice the religious training which he received at that Institution. He was an humble, unpretending, yet a devoted and zealous follower of Christ.

Elder William Newton, of Cave Spring, whose obituary has been published in our papers, giving age, dates, &c., died suddenly, but strong in the faith, during the summer of the past year. He was notoriously a devoted, pious man, and good minister of Jesus Christ, and "being dead yet speaketh."

Elder J. H. Camp, died last summer at his residence in Oglethorpe, Macon county, Ga. He was an humble, unassuming man and minister, but a man who labored for the good of Zion, and was useful in his sphere, notwithstanding he had to labor physically to support a large family.

Elder Hiram Powell, formerly and for many years a member of the Rehoboth Association, died since the last meeting of this body, at his residence near Blakely, in Early county, Ga. In the Bethel Association, in the minutes of which, as well as in our religious papers, will be found a suitable tribute to his great worth and usefulness, for many years, as a minister of the "Gospel of the blessed God." His conduct was even, uniform, and ever characterized by a truly christian dignity and gravity, such as becomes the profession of the minister.

And to this list of our deceased ministers, must be added the name of our venerable Father and Brother in the Gospel, Elder W. P. Steed, for many years a member of the Georgia Association. His departure has also been noticed in the public prints, and it is only necessary, in this connection to state what is known to all who knew him, that he was a man of great piety, and a minister of more than ordinary ability.

A. SHERWOOD, Chairman.

Bro. Root read the report on Finance, which was ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Bro. Campbell delivered the parting address to the Convention, and engaged in prayer. While singing the hymn

“Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love,”

the delegates took an affectionate farewell of each other, and the Convention adjourned without day.

P. H. MELL. Moderator.

E. W. WARREN, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MERCER UNIVERSITY.

The Board present the following as their Annual Report to the Convention of the affairs of Mercer University:

STUDENTS.

At our meeting in Atlanta, on the 25th of July last, the President in his report gave us the following statement: "In the Fall term the number of students was 125 in College; in the Theological Department 6, making a total of 131. The excitement of the war feeling, and the apprehension of harder times operated so as to be visible on the opening of the Spring term. The admissions into College were fewer than usual, so that the number in College was 112: there was an increase in the Theological Department to 13; making the whole number 125.—The excitement subsequent to the capture of Ft. Sumter affected our students very much: and many of them, members of Volunteer companies, left the quiet of college-life for the hardships of camp and the din of war. While other colleges, however, suspended their operations, we were able to carry on the regular duties to the period of the examination; when we closed with 35 college students, and 8 Theologicals."

The Faculty conferred, last July, the first degree in the Arts upon the members of the Senior Class, numbering 31, and the largest ever graduated by us. Of these 31, twenty-four entered the military service of the country.

During the last Fall term our number was 40: thirty-four in college and six in theology. The present term opened with 34. Since then we have lost by sickness one, by volunteering eight, leaving our present number 18. Of these, eight are Seniors, and when they leave we shall have but ten in College, and six in the Theological Department.

FINANCES.

The Treasurer's report showed the following state of our funds on the 1st of July, 1861:

University Fund,	\$75,604.89
Central Professorship, .. .	18,400.43
Mercer Theological Fund, ..	21,492.48
Tuition and Room Rent,	11.50
Sanders' Professorship, ..	14,431.15
Jane Posey Fund,	1,440.66
Interest Fund,	9,715.02
Real Estate, ..	30,000.00
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	\$171,096.13

RECAPITULATION OF ITEMS.

Contribution Notes,.....	10,441.07
Loan ".....	41,257.85
Georgia Rail Road Stock,.. ..	50,000.00
Central Rail Road Stock,.. ..	18,500.00
State Bank Stock,.. ..	10,000.00
Georgia 6 per cent. Bonds,....	4,500.00
Ala. & Fla. Rail Road Bonds,...	3,500.00
Mobile & Girard Rail Road,.....	500.00
Interest now due,....	1,244.89
Real Estate,.....	30,000.00
Cash on hand,.. ..	1,152.32
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	\$171,096.13

The state of our funds has undergone very slight changes. The Treasurer has received from the Executor of Jane Posey the sum of \$1440.66 on account of dividends upon the legacy. Our income is diminished, and rendered very uncertain in amount, by the existence of war and consequent financial derangement of the country.

POLICY OF THE BOARD.

Deeply solicitous of maintaining the status of the University during the war, the Board, at the annual meeting, adopted the following recommendation of its committee: "And while we may not reasonably expect that the number of students for the next term will be as great as former years, yet we think it important that the Faculty be preserved in its entirety, and all the exercises of the Institution be continued without alteration or modification; provided that can be done without bringing the University in debt."

At a meeting of the Board, held yesterday in the Lecture room of this church, we found the University in such a condition, present and prospective, as forces upon us the painful necessity of making great changes in reference to the management of the Institution. After careful deliberation we have agreed to place the University upon a war footing, according to the following plan:

1. That the Board adopt the action of the Prudential Committee, in reference to the resignations of the Faculty, with this exception, that their resignations shall not take effect until the close of the present Term.

2. The Board have re-elected the President, Dr. N. M. Crawford and the two oldest professors, believing, in the painful necessity of choosing between equally worthy professors, no better rule can be adopted than that of seniority in office.

3. The salary of the President is reduced to \$1600, and that of the Professors to \$1200 each.

4. An academical department has been attached to the college, and

the Scientific course increased one year, or in other words, the terms of admission into it have been lowered one year. The Faculty is to have all the tuition in addition to their salaries.

5. The Board have accepted the generous offer of Prof. Woodfin, to render such service in the University as may be needed, gratuitously, during the period of our embarrassments, hoping, however, that he will accept a due proportion of the tuition.

6. The occupancy of the house, in which Prof. Wise now resides, is offered to him free of rent.

7. The Board adopted the following resolutions in reference to the retiring Professors :

1st. *Resolved*, That one of the most painful duties, forced upon us by the terrible war now existing, is the acceptance of the resignations of Professors Tucker, Hillyer, Wise and Woodfin.

2d. *Resolved*, That we entertain a full appreciation of their ability and worth, and that we earnestly hope that the political condition of the country may soon be so changed as to allow us to renew our relations with them as Professors in Mercer University.

3rd. That the Secretary communicate to these brethren Professors the sense of this Board as expressed above.

Respectfully submitted,

S. LANDRUM, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention respectfully submit the following report :

BENEFICIARIES.

Of the Beneficiaries mentioned in our last Report, brethren W. T. Chase, J. A. Garrison, G. M. Campbell, J. L. Blich, and J. K. Cowan, are pursuing their studies in the Theological Department of the University, and brother J. K. Pullen continues at Cave Spring.

Brother J. P. Milldrup completed his studies in the Theological Department, and brethren W. J. Brown and S. A. Hall graduated in the Collegiate Department of the University last July. Of the remaining fourteen, a number have joined the army, some have gone home in consequence of the troubles, and several we have reluctantly dismissed from the difficulty of collecting the interest of the Educational Fund. We have received brother Wm. Singleton, and he is now pursuing his studies in the Theological Department of the University.

HEARN SCHOOL.

Brother James C. Brown, with the greater part of his older pupils, joined the army last Spring, and the Trustees, not being able to secure a Principal, turned over the pupils to the Cave Spring Female School.

They represent the instruction to be satisfactory, and have continued the arrangement for this year. The Treasurer reports about \$3000.00 of available assets in hand.

STATE EVANGELIST.

Brother Jesse H. Campbell has been laboring as State Evangelist, and recently as Colporteur among our soldiers on the coast. The Committee regret that the income of the Permanent Mission Fund is so small as to allow no appropriation this year. We can only urge that our brethren will make contributions to the support of Bro. Campbell, and continue him in this important field of missionary labor.

INDIGENT MINISTERS' FUND.

The Treasurer has in hand a small fund for this purpose, sent up at our last Convention. The Committee have made three appropriations. One application was made for an aged minister of the Cherokee Baptist Convention, and as similar calls may occur hereafter, the Committee request instruction from the Convention, whether appropriations shall be confined to the limits of the Georgia Baptist Convention or shall be extended to indigent ministers within the State.

DONATIONS.

A grant of books has been made to Bro. James A. Garrison.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The various items of appropriations during the year, will appear in full in the Report of the Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. WILLET, Secretary.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN BENEFICENCE.

The committee appointed to discuss this subject, report, that in breaking off from his Maker, man's religious sense recoiled upon himself. Henceforth, he and the things with which he identified himself *as being his*, became to him, in a state of unregeneracy, his own idols. Now, to restore him back to his great original, the work of christian beneficence is precisely fitted. It gradually divests him of the basis of his idolatry, selfishness, and by taking from him his false gods re-attaches him to the true one. The distinguishing initiative of this gracious work is taken in the act of regenerating the soul by the Holy Spirit. It is ended when the procedure of sanctification is perfected. In this view of it, we can comprehend the worth of such scripture statements as the following, viz: "If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him," and "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

It is made the duty of this committee to enquire into the matter of making money gifts, or their equivalents, in the work of evangelizing the world. And, in the outset, your committee would bring the work from the low basis of a burden, on which it is often placed, to its scriptural elevation of a high privilege. We are divinely taught that through this medium we may assimilate ourselves to our blessed Lord. "Freely ye have received, freely give." A spirit of universal benevolence was inculcated by the Saviour upon the disciples by the argument, viz: That ye may be the children of our Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and

sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." What is more ennobling to the soul than to be assured that the "liberal deviseth liberal things and by liberal things shall he stand." On the contrary, it is said by Isaiah as a matter of degradation, that "the vile person shall no more be called liberal."

If we inquire for the limit to the obligation to give to the cause of the Saviour, we shall find it only in the means and occasion. He freely gave all. Plainly we must hold ourselves in readiness at his command to do the same. Under the Mosaic law, the Jew was required to give *in all forms of pious donation* from one-fifth to one-third of his gross annual income. As the proprietor of all things, the moderation of the Lord's demand was conspicuous. Yet it had the accuracy, the uniformity, and the force of a divinely-levied tax. Under the Gospel, the schedule of gifts is made to consist of free-will offerings, graciously submitted to the discretionary bounty of the donor. And O, what an affecting appeal is not this to the believer's sense of obligation, gratitude and honor! How the thought of it should fire our hearts, and fill our hands with thank-offerings to Him who is the Author of all our blessings! While no tribute-money then, but only tokens of our loving-kindness, will be accepted, the basis of larger rates of contribution than was required by the Mosaic code is laid for modern Christians, not only in the mode of the call itself, but in the bestowment of greater blessings in all forms. The Jew lived, we are to remember, in the comparative twilight of religious and industrial civilization: we in their greatly advanced light and power. Nor does the Gospel leave us exclusively to argument as to the result of a comparison between the weight of the old Jew's obligation to give, and that of the New Testament reader. It holds, at this point, the language, viz.: "For unto whom much is given, of him shall much be required." Let us then rebuke ourselves by reference to the Jewish rule, and stimulate ourselves, by the consideration of our superior advantages, to act henceforth in accordance with the higher standard set for us in the premises by the Gospel.

Your committee are required to compare our resources of giving with our actual donations. Looking to the immediate work before us, viz.: the spread of the Gospel through the agency of christian missions, if we extend to the denomination throughout the State the standard of contributions adopted by the Bethel Association, as being well within the scope of its membership, viz.: an annual amount equal to one dollar for each white, and ten cents for each black member, we shall have, on the basis of the aggregate of our members in the State, about eighty thousand dollars to be devoted each year to the work. We have heretofore expended in the enterprize about one *tenth* of that sum. Yet the committee deem the estimate of the Bethel Association *below* the Gospel-measure of duty. Again, if we take the aggregate of our denominational wealth in the State, on the supposition that the members of our denomination stand, as the committee believe they do, on an equality with the other population of the State in respect of property, and compute the income on the principal of our estates as equal to 7 per cent., we shall find ourselves possessed of a yearly revenue of not less than three millions of dollars. While, then, your committee cannot report the total amount distributed by Georgia Baptists, from year to year, to pious objects, we think we hazard nothing in expressing the opinion, that in our disbursements in these respects, we fall far short

of the Mosaic standard. And will not this partial survey of our means serve alike to humiliate us for our past defection, and animate us to enlarge and strengthen the benevolent enterprises we have in operation? Your committee would beg to recommend somewhat more at length the noble example set us by our brethren of the Bethel Association, and especially that feature of their scheme that provides for the bringing of our colored brethren more uniformly into this blessed work. We hail this as a step of great and diversified christian usefulness. When we recollect that we have closed the Scriptures to the reading of our colored brethren—that their spiritual destiny, under God, is in a large degree dependent upon us—that we are bound to them in this respect by the most solemn and affecting ties—that the act of giving to the Lord's treasury is one of the most precious and powerful means of grace—that they are able and willing to give—that the sum expected of them for this enterprise competes well with what is paid to it by the whites—that they constitute a large portion of our denomination in Georgia—that the exercise of enlisting them in the work cannot fail largely to benefit their masters, and draw both more closely together—when these, and other arguments that may suggest themselves to the Convention, are properly weighed, your committee cannot doubt that in taking hold of this arm of spiritual power the Convention will unanimously concur.

It will, doubtless, be expected of your committee that they enforce, at greater or less length, the value of *system* in giving. The advantages of this element, in the matter of contributing to pious objects, are numerous and important. It greatly increases the security *that we give*. Alas! how many, neither unable, nor altogether unwilling to do so, fail, because the means and occasion of giving do not, in their cases, perceptibly conspire. System cures this evil by *fixing the attention* on the work. Secondly, it is the easiest and most rapid mode of accumulating money into the Lord's treasury. The distribution of a given sum, through a numerous succession of gifts, made after short and regular intervals of time, will more effectually promote the desire and power to contribute than it will do when expected by larger donations, made at unequal and remoter periods. As the body of man attains its maximum of strength by a multiplicity of small quantities of food, taken at short and stated periods, so it is equally true of his spirit, that ordinarily it reaches most favorably its assimilation to its perfect Original by gradual and regular approaches. On the other hand, extraordinary, and irregular efforts of nature rather exhaust than invigorate her powers. They are also apt to associate with them in this work ideas of sacrifice and privation, which mar their moral value, have a tendency to engender pride, and embolden those who make them to presume upon long succeeding intermissions of giving. While, on the contrary, the *habit* of giving even in smaller sums, *leads in a way of nature* to enlarged and sustained powers of doing so. We find an instructive and familiar analogy in nature at this point. In our oceans we behold the great reservoirs of water—but the earth's productions are due to a multiplicity of small streams, ever flowing and constantly enlarging until they return whence they came. System quickens and keeps the donor in more constant communion with the Great Agent in the spread of the Gospel, the Holy Spirit. By securing the believer's attention to the Divine mercies, it strengthens his faith, deepens his gratitude, and animates his love. In all this, your

committee would not be understood as designing to discourage those large and munificent donations, which occasionally stand forth to distinguish and honor the cause we have at heart, but as providing more effectually for their being made, in proper circumstances, and *followed up*.

But the inquiry arises, *how* shall we systematize? In the larger division of time into successive periods of twelve months, we have a natural limit, which, in the judgment of the committee, no believer, not absolutely disabled by paramount cause, can innocently pass without having expended money, or its equivalent, in the work of Christian beneficence—nay, more, in the specific work of evangelizing the world. In the succession of the seasons, we have a better and safer guide.—What a blessedness to each believer—what a vast gain to the cause of Christ, would not come of *quarterly* payments into the Lord's treasury? And it may be added just here, that as the salaries of our Missionaries, and other religious functionaries, are usually paid quarterly, there would seem to be the more propriety in enforcing this incentive and guide to contributions. But why not come at once upon the Scripture rule? "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him, that there be no gabblings when I come." Without meaning to say that the *letter* of this instruction is absolutely binding upon us in all circumstances, let us contemplate for one moment some of its more conspicuous advantages. It brings the duty and blessing of giving to the door of *every one*.—The poor are especially encouraged in the Scriptures to engage in this work. To *them* the Saviour preached the Gospel. Over their redemption he rejoiced with peculiar joy. The memory of the "poor widow," who gave "all her living," was perpetuated by a Divine decree. And now that the cause of the Saviour is begging for an annual contribution of twenty-five cents on the average from Georgia Baptists, to be devoted to the specific work of Christian Missions, domestic and foreign, we would especially and affectionately urge our denominational poor to enter promptly, perseveringly, and hopefully, into the work of giving. The rule cited is *holy and equitable*. Each is to give "as God hath prospered him." Thus, too, we are taught to *note and converse about* the Divine goodness to us, that we may grow thereby in the knowledge and service of God. There is deep philosophy in the requirement that we *lay by in store* what we propose to give. If not formally devoted to the Lord, peradventure the enemy of our souls may pluck it from us. The deceitfulness of riches will seek to choke it.—The cares of the world may consume it. We hesitate not to say that he who waits for an occasion of giving before he prepares his gifts, tempts God to deprive him of a blessing. On the other hand, he who holds his offering in waiting, will soon feel the love of God kindling in his soul. The Holy Spirit communes with him. The Saviour sups with him. As his heart grows, so will his offering. Blessed is he. Finally, the rule under review contemplates that the dedication of the gift be on the Lord's day, *and without respect to a pending application for it*. It is then an affair of *principle*. We, and not another, are to call up the sacrifice. The Saviour has graciously assured us that he will always have a worthy occasion in view for its expenditure; and we have already seen that no loss of interest on the principal of the gift will be permitted. The day indicated harmonizes well with the work; being that on which the Redeemer, who is

our life, rose from the dead, and of the consecration of which to Him, the giving of our earthly substance to His cause, is but a part. And is it too much to ask of fallen and redeemed men to note the succession of the blessed Sabbaths in small and convenient tokens of gratitude and love to the Lord and Giver of all our mercies? And here we affectionately urge attention to the fact, that could the Baptists of Georgia, of every age, be prevailed upon to "lay by in store" on each Sabbath *but one cent* as the weekly measure of the Lord's prosperings, to be applied to this great business of the church on earth, viz: The evangelizing the world through the agency of Missionary enterprises, we should thereby be able at once to *double*, if not *quadruple*, our operations in the work.

Your committee would add, that even in a worldly sense, we should realize great gain from the introduction of *method* into the duty of christian beneficence. The logical effect of it would be to bring about a degree of attention to the details of our business, of regularity, prudence and economy, in conducting it, which might, at our pleasure, under God, more than compensate us for the amounts abstracted for pious objects; while we should assuredly enjoy the gratifying consciousness that the scale of our contributions was constantly enlarging.

Your committee are instructed to report a remedy for our defection in christian beneficence. The duty is moral: the means of enforcing it must be moral. Will the Convention, with a view to arrest attention and arouse the zeal of our denomination on the subject, recommend a day of fasting and prayer, with express reference to the introduction of *system*, on some basis or other, into the mode of performing the duty? We leave this point to the discretion of the Convention without volunteering a recommendation of ours.

Secondly, we would urge upon all who concur with us in the value of a rule of giving, to go forth from this Convention *in the strength of that rule*, and to enforce it on all suitable occasions, both by precept and example.

Thirdly, we heartily recommend the Convention, practically, to adopt and advocate the course of the Bethel Association in reference to the bringing of our colored brethren more uniformly into this work.

Lastly, your committee would bring before the Convention a lesson from the prophet Malachi: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the store house, that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground: neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. J. WELLBORN, Chairman,
J. W. JOHNSON.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Embracing Receipts and Expenditures from the 15th April, 1861, to 15th April, 1862.

1861.	PERMANENT FUND FOR EDUCATION.	
April 15.	To amount on hand.	\$33,160.46
April 18.	To Dividend on Georgia Rail Road Stock . .	200.00
Oct. 16.	To Dividend on Georgia Rail Road Stock .	175.00
1862.		
April 15.	To Interest collected on Notes	1,060.53
April 15.	To Ga. Baptist Convention, Education Ministers.	26.00
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		\$34,621.99

CONTRA.

By expenses of beneficiaries, as per orders of Executive Committee, numbered 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53.		
		\$2,214.72
1861.		
Oct. 4.	To amount paid for books, per order No. 35.	52.00
1862.		
April 15.	To proportionate part of Treasurer's salary . .	190.00
April 15.	To balance on hand.	32,165.27
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		\$34,621.99

1861.	ORPHAN FUND.	
April 15.	To amount on hand.	\$3,054.61
July 1.	To interest on Alabama & Florida R. R. Bonds.	30.00
Oct. 11.	To interest on Alabama & Florida R. R. Bonds. . .	30.00
1862.		
Jan. 10.	To interest on Alabama & Florida R. R. Bonds. . .	30.00
April 15.	Interest on Notes.	95.00
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		\$3,239.61

CONTRA.

April 15.	By Proportionate part of Treasurer's salary	\$ 18.00
April 15.	By balance on hand.	3,221.61
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		\$3,239.61

1861.	PERMANENT AND MISSION FUND.	
April 15.	To amount on hand.	\$2,270.97
April 18.	Dividend on Georgia Rail Road Stock.	8.00
Oct. 16.	Dividend on Georgia Rail Road Stock.	7.00
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		\$2,285.97

1862.	CONTRA.	
April 15.	By proportionate part of Treasurer's salary.	\$ 14.00
April 15.	By balance on hand.	2,271.97
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		\$2,285.97

1861.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
April 15.	To amount on hand.	\$136.32
April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention.	\$1,311.82

April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention for African Missions.....	137.40	
April 29.	Georgia Baptist Convention, A. D. Phillips for clothing..	12.00	—1,461.22
Aug. 25.	To Central Association...		90.27
Oct. 19.	Georgia Association...	\$900.75	
Oct. 19.	Georgia Association for African Missions,	95.06	
Oct. 19.	Georgia Association for Cen. " Missions,	30.00	
Oct. 19.	Georgia Association for China Missions,	25.00	
Oct. 19.	Georgia Association for Liberian Missions,	5.00	—1,055.81
			<u>\$2,743.62</u>

CONTRA.

April 29.	By D. G. Daniell, Agent, No. 2 ..	\$1,597.54	
Sept. 2.	By E. Wortham, Treasurer, No. 33.	90.27	
Oct. 14.	By E. Wortham, Treasurer, No. 37	1,055.81	
			<u>\$2,743.62</u>

1861.	DOMESTIC MISSIONS.		
April 15.	To amount on hand...		\$154.58
April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention...	\$868.73	
April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention for Indian Missions.	414.34	
April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention for H. Gue and Perryman..	102.60	
April 29.	To Georgia Baptist Convention for H. F. Buckner.	30.00	—1,415.67
Aug. 25.	To Central Association..	\$43.52	
Aug. 25.	To Central Association for Ind. Missions.	50.75	— 103.27
Oct. 19.	To Georgia Association...	468.00	
Oct. 19.	To Georgia Association for Ind. Missions.	751.91	
Oct. 19.	To Georgia Association for Cherokee and Creek Mission.....	457.00	—1,676.97
Oct. 19.	To Georgia Baptist Convention, State Evangelist....		—65.00
			<u>\$3,415.49</u>

1861.	CONTRA.		
Apr. 29	By M. T. Sumner Cor. Sec. No. 1.	\$1,498.67	
Apr. 29	By J. H. Campbell, State Evangelist 58.	136.58	
Sept. 2	By Wm. Hornbuckle, Treasurer, 34.	103.27	
Oct. 14	By M. T. Sumner, Cor. Sec. 36.	1,226.97	
Dec. 21	By M. T. Sumner, Cor. Sec. 54.	450.00	
			<u>\$3,415.49</u>

1861.	HEARN LEGACY.		
Apr. 15	To amount on hand,	\$12,000.00	
1862			
Apr. 15	To Interest Collected...	659.89	
			<u>\$12,659.89</u>

1862.	CONTRA.		
Jan. 31	By James Sanders, Treasurer, No. 55.....	280.00	

Feb.	4	By James Sanders, Treasurer, No. 56.....	101.15
Mar.	13	By James Sanders, Treasurer, No. 57..	186.74
Apr.	15	By proportionate part, Treas. Salary, ..	78.00
Apr.	15	By balance on hand,. .. .	12,014.00

\$12,659.89

1861. GENERAL PURPOSE FUND;

Apr.	15	To amount on hand.....	868.43
Apr.	29	To Georgia Baptist Convention.	261.85
Oct.	19	To Georgia Association.. .. .	89.50

\$1,219.78

CONTRA.

Apr.	29	By F. M. Haygood for sermon, No. 5,...	50.00
Apr.	29	By J. F. Dagg, Clerk's Salary,....	75.00
Aug.	21	By A. E. Dickenson, Agt. Sol. Col. 31,...	30.00
Aug.	27	By Joseph Clisby, printing minutes, 32,.	237.80
1862.			
Apr.	15	By balance on hand,. .. .	826.98

\$1,219.78

1861. BIBLE AND COLPORTEUR SOCIETY.

Apr.	15	To amount on hand,. ..	5.00
Apr.	29	To Georgia Baptist Convention,. ..	96.10
Oct.	19	To Georgia Association,. .. .	78.75

\$179.85

1861. CONTRA.

Apr.	29	By F. M. Haygood, Agent, No. 4,. .. .	101.10
Oct.	14	By F. M. Haygood, Agent, No. 40,	78.75

\$179.85

1861. BIBLE BOARD, NASHVILLE.

Apr.	15	To amount on hand,. ..	2.50
Apr.	29	To Georgia Baptis. Convention,	116.50

\$119.00

CONTRA.

Apr.	29	By L. W. Allen, Cor. Sec. No. 3,.	\$119.00
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1861. SOUTHERN BAPTIST PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

Apr.	29	To Georgia Baptist Convention,. .. .	\$35.25
Oct.	19	To Georgia Association, .. .	10.00

\$45.25

CONTRA.

Oct.	14	By T. S. Budd, Agent, No. 39.	\$45.25
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1861. INDIGENT MINISTERS' FUND.

Apr.	15	To amount on hand,. .. .	\$88.25
Apr.	29	To Georgia Baptist Convention. .. .	67.30
Oct.	19	To Georgia Association,. .. .	60.50

\$216.05

CONTRA		
Apr. 29	By James Barrow, No. 6....	\$25.00
June 10	By Wm. Richards, No. 8....	25.00
Nov. 26	By Richard Phillips, No. 48....	25.00
1862.		
Apr. 15	By balance on hand....	141.05

\$215.05

TOWN LOT FUND		
Apr. 15	To amount on hand....	\$87.00
1862.		
Feb. 21	To Interest collected....	3.50

Balance on hand. \$590.50

CHRISTIAN INDEX FUND.		
May. 6	To amount received from Index committee....	\$2,200.00
1861.		
Oct. 16	To Georgia Association....	\$86.25

CONTRA.		
Oct. 16	By A. E. Dickenson, Agent, No. 58....	\$86.25

RECAPITULATION.		
Perman. Education Fund....		\$32,165.27
Orphan Fund....		3,221.61
Permanent Mission Fund....		2,271.97
Hearn Legacy....		12,014.00
General Purpose Fund....		826.98
Indigent Ministers' Fund....		141.05
Town Lot Fund....		590.50
Christian Index Fund....		2,200.00

\$53,231.38

THE FOREGOING SUM CONSISTS OF

Notes at Interest....	\$45,000.17
Georgia Railroad Stock....	5,200.00
Alabama & Florida R. R. Bonds....	1,500.00
Cash on Hand....	\$98.21

\$53,231.38

DR.	CASH AND TRACT.	CR.
1861.		

Apr. 15	To balance on hand....	\$3,415.49
	To Int. collected....	2,743.62
	To Int. Hearn Leg....	567.89
	To Permanent Fund....	2,214.72
	To Ala. & Fla. R.R.B....	392.80
	To Foreign Mission....	179.85
	To Dom. & Ind....	119.00
	To Dividends....	75.00
	To Bible B. Nash. M....	52.00
	To Bible & Col. So....	45.25
	To Indigent Min....	86.25
	To So. Bap. Pub. So....	300.00
	General Purposes....	898.21
	Ed'n Ministers....	
	To Soldiers Colp....	

\$11,090.08

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THOS. J. BURNLEY,
TREAS.

The undersigned have examined the foregoing report of the Treasurer; and find the payments to be sustained by proper vouchers; the balances to agree with the books; and notes, stock, scrip and cash on hand to cover the aggregate of the funds, amounting to (\$53,231.38.) fifty-three thousand two hundred and thirty-one 38-100 dollars. On examining the notes, we find one on the late J. E. Dawson, for one hundred and sixty odd dollars, the balance, as we learn, of an old subscription. From our knowledge of the condition of his affairs, we suggest that this note be surrendered to his widow.

N. G. FOSTER,
JOHN B. WALKER.

Madison, April 1862.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Financial Committee respectfully submit the following

REPORT.

Lumpkin Baptist Church Missionary Society—African Missions		
for Bro. Harden	\$40,00	
Indian Missions for Bros. Hogue and Perryman,	62,75—	\$102,75
Richland Baptist Church—Indian Missions,	\$12,50—	\$12,50
Greensborough Baptist Church Missionary Society—Foreign		
Missions,.....	\$75,00	
Indian Mission,.....	75,00—	150,00
Crawfordsville Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,.....	17,50—	17,50
Washington Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,.....	225,00	
Indian Missions,.....	155,00	
Army Colportage,.....	50,00	
Bible Board—Testaments for Soldiers,.....	6,00—	\$456,00
Atlanta 2d Baptist Church Missionary Society—Foreign Mis-		
sions,.....	\$30,00	
Indian Missions,.....	30,00—	\$60,00
Ebenezer Association—Foreign Missions,.....	27,12	
Domestic Missions,.....	27,13—	54,25
Sarepta Association—Foreign Missions,.....		
Domestic Missions,.....	46,55	
Indian Missions,.....	39,80	
African Missions,.....	19,70	
Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers,.....	3 00	
Bible Board—Testaments for Soldiers,.....	1,00	
Indigent Ministers' Fund,.....	12,20	
Madison Baptist Church Missionary Society—Foreign Missions,	10,50—	\$132,75
Indian Missions,.....	70,00	
J. H. Campbell,.....	50,00—	\$170,00
Mercer University, Young Men's Missionary Society—Foreign..		
Missions,.....	6,50	
Indian Missions,.....	6,50—	\$13,00
Mercer University Missionary Society—Foreign Missions.....		
African Missions,.....	27,00	
Indian Missions,.....	12,50	
Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers,.....	6,50	
Rev. J. H. Campbell,.....	77,00	
	77,00—	\$200,00
[Including \$10. from Mrs. S. O. Tupper, for Bro. A. E. Dick-		
enson, and one dollar in Gold, for Bro. Poindexter, from Mrs.		
Phipps.]		
Antioch Church Missionary Society, Oglethorpe county—Foreign		
Missions,.....	50,00—	50,00
Appalachee Association—Foreign Missions,.....	21,00	
Indian Missions,.....	38,20	
African Missions,.....	1,00	
Indigent Ministers' Fund,.....	11,80—	72,00
, [\$50, has been previously sent Bro. A. E. Dickenson.]		

White Plains Missionary Society—Foreign Missions,	35.00	
Indian Missions,.....	62.20	
Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers,.....	41.00	
Rev. J. H. Campbell,.....	10.00—	148.20
[The \$41, for Colportage, to be sent to Marion Board.]		
Augusta Baptist Church Missionary Society—Foreign Missions,	80.00	
Domestic Missions,.....	30.00	
Indian Missions,.....	30.00	
Bible Board,.....	7.00	
Hepzibah Mission,.....	7.00	
Hepzibah High School,.....	75.80	
Augusta Baptist Church Sunday School,.....	13.00	
Southern Baptist Publication Society,.....	5.00—	247.80
[A Brother had previously sent \$200.]		
Macon Baptist Church Missionary Society—Foreign Missions,	100.00—	100.00
[\$200 previously contributed.]		
Griffin Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,	27.00	
Indian Missions,.....	28.00—	55.00
[The \$28. for Bro. Foster's Creek Nation.]		
Bairds Church Missionary Society—Foreign Missions,	22.00	
Domestic Missions,.....	2.00—	24.00
Savannah Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,	141.00	
Indian Missions,.....	5.00—	146.00
Summer Hill Baptist Church—Indian Missions,	53.95	
African Missions,.....	50.05—	104.00
[\$6.10 for African Mission—by colored people; \$10, for Bro. Hogue's house; \$43.95 for Bethel Indian Mission; 43.95 for Bethel African Mission.]		
Albany Baptist Church—Indian Missions,	79.85	
African Missions,.....	64.85—	144.70
[\$10, by Dr. Mallary for Hogue's house; \$5, by J. H. Watson for Hogue's house; \$64.85 for Bethel African Mission.]		
Americus Baptist Church—Indian Missions,	50.50	
African Missions,.....	60.50—	111.00
[By colored people.]		
Palmira Baptist Church—Indian Missions,	21.00	
African Missions,.....	21.00—	42.00
[By colored people.]		
Western Association—Foreign Missions,	5.00—	5.00
Columbus Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,	135.35	
Indian Missions,.....	100.00—	235.35
LaGrange Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,	25.50	
Indian Missions,.....	25.50—	51.00
[The above statements do not include the amount of about \$400, raised for the Baptist Bible and Colporteur Society in Macon.]		
J. S. Hamilton, Thomson, Ga.—Foreign Missions,	25.00	
Indian Missions,.....	25.00—	50.00
Mrs. Thomas N. Hamilton, Athens, Ga.—Foreign Missions,	20.00—	20.00
S. Root, Atlanta, Ga.—Foreign Missions,	25.00	
Indian Missions,.....	25.00—	50.00
J. Q. & T. B. West, Washington, Ga.—Foreign Missions,	50.00	
Indian Missions,.....	50.00—	100.00
Dr. and Mrs. H. Nichols, Camden Co.,—Indian Missions,	7.00	
African Missions,.....	7.00—	14.00
Mrs. Y. R. Batty, Louisville, Ga.—Foreign Missions,	7.50	
Indian Missions,.....	7.50—	15.00
R. W. Cubbedge, Macon, Ga.—	2.00—	2.00
Rev. Juriah Harris, Appling, Ga.—Indian Missions,	50.00—	50.00
Mrs. Eliza Carter, Scottsboroug, Ga.—Indian Missions,	10.00	
Soldiers,.....	10.00—	20.00
J. W. Ellington, Ga.—Indian Missions—H F. Buckner,	11.50—	11.50
Hamilton Baptist Church—Indian Mission of Columbus Asso- ciations,.....	12.35—	12.35
Newnan Baptist Church—Foreign Missions,	15.00	
Indian Missions,.....	15.00	

Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers,.....	25,00—	55,00
Zion Baptist Church, Early Co.—Hogue's house—Indian Mis- sions,.....	10,00—	10,00
Mrs. Margaret Greggs, Americus—Indian Missions,.....	2,00—	2,00
Miss A. Myht,— Indian Missions,.....	1,50—	1,50
Collection Saturday morning, Rev. J. H. Campbell,.....	151,55—	151,55
Collection Saturday night for Foreign Missions,.....	40,00	
Domestic Missions,.....	139,15	
Indian Missions—\$10 for Buckner,.....	37,50	
African Mission—A. D. Phillips,.....	62,00	
Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers—\$25 from main body....	35,00—	318,65
[Including proceeds of 5 gold rings \$21, and 1 gold pencil \$10.		

\$3,763.40

SUMMARY.

Foreign Missions,.....	\$1,400.02
Domestic Missions,.....	2,380.72
Indian Missions,.....	1,177.56
African Missions,.....	371.90
Bibles and Tracts for Soldiers,.....	189.00
Rev. J. H. Campbell,.....	288.55
Bible Board,.....	25.29
Indigent Ministers,.....	22.80
Southern Baptist Publication Society,.....	5.00
Mapzibah Association,.....	95.50

\$3,763.40

S. ROOT, Chairman.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE DE-

ASSOCIATIONS.		No. of Churches when Con- stituted.	No. of White Members.	No. of Col- ored Members.	Total Mem- bership.	Baptized last year.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordn. Minis- ters.	Licentiates.	Amount con- tributed for Missions.
*Appalachee.....	(A)	1835	17	1095	590	1675	73	89	6	2	\$222 54
Arbacochee.....	(A)	1852	19		1459				15	5	
*Bethel.....	(A)	1833	50	2888	2554	5242	101	122	28	6	541.90
Bowen.....	(D)	1856	25	788	222	1010	62		8	2	
*Central.....	(A)	1834	26	1327	1415	2742	92	567	14	5	367.05
Chattahoochee..	(G)	1824	16	1269	73	1342	41		5	2	
Chestatee.....	(G)	1835	14		392	36			5	2	
*Clarksville.....	(B)	1851	30	1349	61	1410	100	108	17	8	35 55
*Columbus.....	(A)	1829	26	1217	729	3046	47	150	17	5	362 05
Coosa.....	(B)	1826	39	1525	233	1814	464		19		455.50
*Ebenezer.....	(B)	1815	29	1741	957	2972	340	30	22	5	751.71
Elhjay.....	(B)	1840	29	911	16	927	81	61	18	8	
*Faint River.....	(A)	1824	40	2708	830	3538	103	236	24	4	279.05
*Friendship.....	(B)	1859	22	906	234	1140	161		11		511.60
*Georgia.....	(A)	1784	46	2929	4934	7523	170	241	30	9	2997.46
*Heplizibah.....	(A)	1794	29	2158	1749	3907	98	203	21	3	758.62
Hightower.....	(B)	1835	35	2229	169	2398	136	142	20	13	39.75
Kiwassee.....	(I)	1849	35		1709	54			13	9	
*Houston.....	(B)	1820	33	1290	601	2128	310		17	10	
Lawrenceville.....	(B)	1854	13		582	44	153		5	5	25.96
Middle.....	(A)	1841	19	951	461	1412	26	1	12	6	241.76
Middle Cherokee.....	(A)	1845	35	1575	361	2020	96	484	27	7	87.95
Mountain.....	(H)	1832	10		24*						
*Mount Vernon.....	(B)	1859	7	311	55	388	42	147	4	4	60.00
Noonday.....	(D)	1853	20	1124	237	1381	10		7	3	
Ostanaula.....	(C)	1852	12	486	75	560	52		7	6	
*Piedmont.....	(A)	1817	15	263	24	390	20	20	10	7	285.63
*Rehoboth.....	(B)	1838	26	1481	1173	2986	181	28	17	6	1098.75
*Stone Mountain.....	(A)	1838	22	1455	365	1820	159	47	17	7	29.58
*Sarepta.....	(A)	1799	41	3371	1087	4458	169	202	16	13	489.56
*State Line.....	(D)	1846	20		965	41			12	3	
*Sunbury.....	(C)	1818	26	585	5607	6840	187	163	7	6	1504.19
*Southern.....	(D)	1855	7		315				4	2	
Tallapoosa.....	(D)	1838	42	2963	409	3372	197		21	5	
Toccoah.....	(E)	1853	11		381	1			10	1	
*Tugalo.....	(B)	1818	22	2187	198	2385	200	186	16	5	132.45
Union.....	(H)	1846	4		137						
Union.....	(B)		22	571	162	829	51	144	12	4	138 35
*Washington.....	(A)	1829	23	1355	710	2065	46	37	12	6	268.35
*Western.....	(A)	1829	42	2903	1261	4161	102	16	21	6	225.00
Churches in this State con- nected with Fla Ass'n's.			7		478				5	2	
United Baptists [2 Asso'n's]			21		1000						
Anti-Miss. Baptists, 23 do			83		1000				183	81	

*These Associations are connected with the Georgia Baptist Convention.

a Minutes of 1861.

b Minutes of 1860.

c Minutes of 1859.

d Minutes of 1853.

e Minutes of 1857.

f Minutes of 1856.

g Minutes of 1855.

h Minutes of 1854.

i Minutes of 1853.

NOMINATION IN GEORGIA FOR 1862.

CLERKS.	POST OFFICES OF CLERKS.	TIME OF MEETING.	PLACE OF MEETING FOR 1862.
D. H. Moncrief,	High Shoals,	Sat. before 3d Sab. Sept.	Bay Creek,
Joel W. Perry,	Blakely,	Sat. before 3d Sab. Nov.	Pine Bluff,
S. E. Brooks,	Milledgeville,	Sat. before 4th Sab. Aug.	Madison,
S. Sisk, E. H. Beall, A. B. Ross, W. O. Beall, J. F. Mitchell, J. T. Kimbell, F. H. Cheeves, J. H. Stockton, W. L. Kilpatrick, J. M. Hawkins,	Clarksville, Hamilton, Rome, Irwinton, Elhjay, Jackson, Oglethorpe, Thompson, Richmond Fac. Cummings,	Sat. before 4th Sab. Sept. Sat. before 4th Sab. Sept. Sat. before 4th Sab. Oct. Fri. before 2d Sab. Oct. Sat. before 4th Sab. Oct.	Mount Zion, Liberty Hill, Chilch, Clark's Station. Ways Church,
Wm. M. Oliver, Thos. Pittman, W. J. Murrow, T. H. Stout,	Hawkinsville, Millen, Adairsville,	Sab. before 4th Sab. Oct. Sab. before 4th Sab. Sept. Sat. before 4th Sab. Sept.	Little Buck Head Betnesda,
J. M. Donelson,	Buckeye,		
Jas. E. Blitch, W. C. Wilkes, T. A. Gibbs, I. W. Johuson,	Blackshear, Forsyth, Social Circle, Lexington,	Sat. before 2d Sab. Oct. Sat. before 3d Sab. Sept. Sat. before 2d Sab. Sept. Sat. before 4th Sab. Sept.	Consolation, Forsyth, Rock Dale, Van's Creek,
W. A. Flemning,	Savannah.	Sat. before 2d Sab. Sept.	
W. F. Bowers,	Bowersville,	Fri. before 4th Sab. Sept.	
Jas. Tillman, Renj. Roberts, U. B. Wilkinson,	Riedsville, Milledgeville, Newnan,	Sat. before 3d Sab. Sept. Wed. before 2d Sab. Dec. Sat. before 3d Sab. Sept.	Bethel, Mount Lebanon

NOTE.—There have been so few minutes of the last Associations at hand, that any attempt at a summary would amount to but little else than a copy from the minutes of the last Convention, as is the case with most of the above table.

If Clerks of all the Associations in Ga., would send a copy of the minutes of their Associations to the Index, or Clerk, it would be a great accommodation.

MINISTERS OF THE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS OF GEORGIA.

APPALACHEE.

W. Hudgins, Monroe.
H. Jackson, Mulberry.
J. M. Landrum, Madison.
B. Langford, Watkinsville.
D. H. Moncrief, H. Shoals.
J. M. Stowell, Madison.
J. G. McNorton, H. Shoals.

BETHIEL.

M. B. Binion, Weston.
W. N. Chaudoin, Albany.
Jas. M. Cailles, Albany.
W. H. Clark, Albany.
J. B. Clay, Buford.
W. L. Crawford, Georgetown.
W. D. Cowdrey, Blakely.
N. W. Collier, Albany.
J. O. Cumbie, Cotton Hill.
J. F. Dagg, Cuthbert.
J. L. Dagg, Cuthbert.
S. G. Daniel, Albany.
J. M. Davis, Bainbridge.
I. H. Goss, Lumpkin.
C. M. Irwin, Albany.
W. M. Jones, Cuthbert.
Joel Johnson, Bainbridge.
R. M. Lofton, Ft. Gaines.
C. D. Mallary, Albany.
W. L. Mansfield, Lumpkin.
John Martin, Buford.
A. P. Mitchell, Ft. Gaines.
Thomas Moss, Cuthbert.
W. A. Pope, Buford.
Jesse Robison, Morgan.
B. L. Ross, Butler.
F. F. Selig, Americus.
Columbus Smith, Blakely.
Rich. Thornton, Ft. Gaines.

—LICENTIATES:

R. P. Copeland, Scienceville.
C. Ferrer, Florence.
H. Harris-Earl, Cuthbert.
Jas. H. McCall, Lumpkin.
G. J. Norwood, Buford.
S. T. Sharpe, Georgetown.

BOWEN.

Burtin Bennett, Newton.
Andrew Cumbie, Newton.
F. M. D. Hopkins, Bainbridge.
W. Everett, McElveensville.
Walter B. Mason, Milledgeville.
Joshua Martin, Bainbridge.
Lardet Sims, Morgan.

—LICENTIATES:

J. J. Beverly, McElveensville.
Curtis Nelms, Gum Pond.

CENTRAL.

Samuel Boykin, Macon.
R. Cunningham, Macon.
S. E. Brooks, Milledgeville.
D. E. Butler, Madison.
F. M. Cheney, Brick Store.
J. H. Corley, Eatonton.
N. N. Edge, Newton Factory.
N. G. Foster, Madison.

A. J. Freeman, Monticello.

E. Jewell, Hearnville.

C. Malone, Monticello.

Adiel Sherwood, Griffin.

L. W. Smith, Milledgeville.

J. F. Swanson, Cave Spring.

R. Gibson, Macon.

J. E. Sharpe, Macon.

E. W. Warren, Macon.

J. L. Warren, Hawkinsville.

A. Winchell, Glades X R'ds.

—LICENTIATES:

U. M. Almand, Ebenezer.

W. M. Chapman, Cartwrights.

W. B. Crawford, Madison.

S. D. Paschal, Eatonton.

G. W. Pritchett, Monticello.

CHATTahoochee.

J. M. Davis, Cain's.

S. King, Orsville.

J. E. Rives, New Bridge.

S. Roberts, Gainesville.

W. C. Smith, Pond Fork.

CHESTATEE.

Wm. Christopher, Argo.

W. Grantham, Young Cane.

Wm. Pruett, Young Cane.

W. B. West, Mt. Yonah.

Jas. West, Mt. Yonah.

CLARKSVILLE.

J. Ellerd, Tiger.

J. H. Fields, Batesville.

J. C. Harris, Batesville.

B. E. Hatfield, Dahlonega.

M. Hicks, Hollingsworth.

J. C. Jarrard, Batesville.

T. M. Kinsay, Mt. Yonah.

D. C. Moore, Dahlonega.

W. E. Pellyaw, Clayton.

D. H. Porter, Sogue.

J. Porter, Dahlonega.

S. Sisk, Clarksville.

J. Sledge, Oriskany.

E. Sutton, Batesville.

W. Tate, Dahlonega.

J. T. Woodfall, Dahlonega.

M. Woodall, Clayton.

—LICENTIATES:

C. W. Ash, Dahlonega.

S. Byers, Clarksville.

R. Dickson, Chechero.

B. James, Batesville.

D. N. Jarrard, Batesville.

A. Loggins, Leo.

G. W. Smith, Tiger.

A. Stephens, Hollingsworth.

COLUMBUS.

W. D. Atkinson, Hamilton.

J. W. David, Mulberry Grove.

J. H. DeVotie, Columbus.

J. N. Embury, Mulberry Grove.

G. W. Eppes, Waverly Hall.

E. S. Harris, Quito.

John Harris, Quito.

J. G. Johnson, Hamilton.

T. J. Miles, Cusseta.

M. F. Mosley, Whitesville.

W. L. Orlene, Green Hill.

H. S. Rees, Columbus.

James Rees, Columbus.

J. S. Sarey, Talbotton.

T. B. Seale, Columbus.

J. M. Watt, Columbus.

C. C. Willis, Steam Factory.

J. D. Wilson, Talbotton.

—LICENTIATES:

Wm. Amos, Columbus.

F. C. David, Mt. Hill.

J. Fitzpatrick, Hamilton.

T. Harrison, Columbus.

W. S. Johnson, Cusseta.

Dennis Miller, Hamilton.

George Palmer, Columbus.

COOSA.

W. P. Burke, Eagle Cliff.

J. W. Canfield, Cave Spring.

D. B. Dickey, High Point.

E. Dyer, LaFayette.

W. W. Fowler, Cedar Grove.

T. Grove, Duck Creek.

P. W. Lumpkin, Rome.

C. B. Martin, Cave Spring.

O. D. McNeely, Kirk's Grove.

A. A. McRee, Graysville.

S. Morgan, Catawba Springs.

I. Purcell, Tryon Factory.

A. P. Shattuck, Green Lake.

C. H. Shrock, Rome.

A R Wright, Rome
E H Warren, Dirt Town
J M Wood, Atlanta.

EBENEZER.

W J Baker, Dublin
E B Barrett, Irwinton
H Bann, Tarrersville
J Dargge, Little York
R B Edwards, Macon
I Grenada, McIntyre
E Harvill, Irwinton
L Hobbs, Laurens Hill
W D Horne, Jeffersonville
G B Hughes, Irwinton
W Lancaster, Hawkinsville
G R McCall, Marion
H Messer, Milton
R E Mills, Hawkinsville
J Pearson, Macon
W H Scarborough, Dublin
R B Stephen, Leesboro
R Smith, Cool Spring
W R Steele, Jeffersonville
L S Thomon, Marion
C A Tharp, Macon
Wm Windham, Dublin

—LICENTIATES:

E J Eats, Irwinton
B C Green, Stephenville
T Hughes, Irwinton
J T Kinchen, Dublin
H J Walker, Temperance.

ELLIJAY

E Akin, Jasper
A Chadwick, Talking Rock
G Dean, Chubutah Springs
W T Fleming, Fairmount
J C Galloway, Copper Mines
J B Harris, Talking Rock
E Hunt, VanZant's Store
J Jackson, Talking Rock
R Jordan, Talking Rock
J F Mitchell, Ellijay
D Miller, Mountain Town
Wm E Mull, Pierceville
N R Osborn, Moun'n Town
J W Stanberry, Hot House
A S Tatum, Carticay
A R Tribble, Jasper
J Underwood, Ellijay
A Whitener, Santa Luca
M H West, Jasper

—LICENTIATES:

D W Ash, Mountain Town
E Carroll, Talking Rock
Wm A Findlay, Carticay
H W Head, Talking Rock
H P Kenneman " Rock
— Oak, Talking Rock
S M Plemons, Moun'n T'n
B Wyatt, Hot House.

FLINT RIVER.

T S Allen, Griffin
J W Attaway, Griffin
A A Bufington, Fairburn
J Bufington, Milner
J H Campbell, Griffin
A E Cloud, Griffin
T B Cooper, Milner
G B Davis, York
H F Dickon, Inlet Spring
J S Dodd, Fairburn
W H C Dutton, Glen Grove
B T Doyal, McDonough
D L Dudy, McDonough
I H Hartsfield, Jonesboro
W W Head, Milner
J M Kay, Zebulon
J G Kimball, Jackson
J T Kimball, Jackson
P A Lawson, Griffin
L Leach, Griffin
D W Mabry, Forsyth
John Mayo, Jackson
A E Marshall, Griffin
J F McLeod, Jonesboro
W G McMichael, Jackson
A L Moncrief, Ooloparchae
D H Moore, Barnesville
W Spears, Ghentsville
J M Sperlin, White Water
Jett Thomas, Zebulon
W Thomas, Jackson
T J Threlkeld, Griffin
J Tompkins, Forsyth
A Vaughn, Milner.

—LICENTIATES:

J Goodman, Jackson
N A Hornady, Barnesville
W Willis, Indian Springs

FLORIDA.

W Blewett, Thomasville
R Fleming, Thomasville
C J Hanklin, Okapileo
J M Gray, Thomasville
John B Lacy, Thomaston
—LICENTIATES:
A M Manning, Station
T W Terrell, Duncanville.

FRIENDSHIP.

Isaiah Ansley, Americus
S W Durham, Prattsburg
Isaac Hart, Friendship
John Howell, Butler
T H Murphy, Buena Vista
Jas Perryman " Vista
Wm Ross, Butler.

GEORGIA.

Thos J Beck, Tennille
T J Bowen, Greensboro
P F Burgess, Leathersville

J B Butler, Lincolnton
E M Callaway, Wash'ton
Jos A Carter, Washington
N M Crawford, Penfield
R Chen, Warrenton
Jurin Harris, Appling
S G Hillyer, Rome
John Logan, Leathersville
A L Kennedy, "
J H Kilpatrick, W Plains
M A Lane, Danburg
P H Mell, Athens
T R Morgan, Philomath
R E Macinty, Double Wells
H C Peck, Greensboro
A Roney, Thomson
J H Stockton, Thomson
L G Steed, Raysville
Wm Sanders, Penfield
H A Tupper, Washington
H H Tucker, Penfield
J Q West, Colum in Mines
T E West, Columbia Mines
G A P Whitefield, W. Oak
J R Young, Bairdstown.

—LICENTIATES:

J Ellington, Powelton
Levi Ivey, Double Wells
W T H Jones, Washington
W G Langston, Bairdstown
I A McLeod, Danburg
W H Pope, Washington
J L Smith, Danburg
Wm Sutton, Danburg.

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AT MERCER UNIVERSITY,
PENFIELD, GA.

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W J Brown
G M Campbell
W T Chase
J K Cowen
W C Davis
J H Fortson
J A Garrison
B C Green
S A Hall
J P Hilldrup
H P Kennemar
T W Lanier
G B Mathews
J F Salter
J A Toole.

—COLORED MINISTERS:
Henry Johnson, Ordained
Peter Johnson, Ordained
Frank Deall, Licensed.

HEPHZIBAH.

A Adkins, Jubilee
E R Carswell, Waynesboro
J M Carter, Augusta

G H Cliett, Belair
C Collins, Appling
W H Davis, Waynesboro
W J Harl, Augusta
J J Harris, Warrenton
W T Homes, Louisville
J Huff, Ready Creek
A J Huntington, Augusta
J Key, Berzelia
J T Kilpatrick, Richmond
W L Kilpatrick, Waynesboro.

L McNorrl, Green's Cut
E J Panel, Louisville
L F Powell, Green's Cut
J Stanford, Nebraska
L B Tully, Ready Creek
—LICENTIATES:
A Beasley, Pope Hill
J M Cross, Hopeful.

HIGHTOWER.

P C Blanton, Hightower
T Burgess, Alpharetta
R Carlisle, Cumming
F M Hawkins, Cumming
B Head, Crossville
J M McBrayn, Dahlonega
A T McNair, Board Tree
J Padgett, Jasper
E Phillips, Cumming
M Parcel, Board Tree
J Rainwater, Alpharetta
W Richards, Yellow Creek
J J Stargel, Dahlonega
R Swinford, Ball Ground
A F Underwood, Alpharetta
M Walker, Dahlonega
P Walker, Dahlonega
A Webb, Hightower
J A Woody, Dahlonega

—LICENTIATES:
E Coleman, Big Creek
T Evans, Jasper
T H Gibson, Dahlonega
J W Hutchins, Cumming
A R Mabry, Round Hill
D Neal, Round Hill
I Phillips, Cumming
James Reese, Jasper
C Rice, Alpharetta
J N Tribble, Sheltonville
J M West, Jasper
J S Wigginton, Jasper.

HOUSTON.

Thos Aldridge, Millwood
E S Bullington, Millwood
Renben Bullington, "
A Dykes, Hendersonville
S D Everett, Millwood
R B Harvey, Homerville
D E Hunter, House Creek

H V Jeffords, Cain Creek
Markin Joiner, Millwood
G Lastinger, Homerville
P S Lunsford, Isabella
G Newburn, Homerville
Isaac Pitts, Drayton
J G Taylor, Cow Creek
E H Wagon, Starkville
S Walden, Homerville
Wm Ward, Douglas.

—LICENTIATES:

T J Adams, Millwood
J M Champion, Isabella
M Champion, Isabella
W J Collins, Millwood
W Holeman, Vienna
J W Mashburn, Adams
Eli Marlow, Vienna
O D Mulkey, Adams
Samuel Stone, Adams
J S Thompson, Isabella.

HIWASSEE.

Adam Corn, Shady Grove
Alfred Corn, Mt Eolia
John Corn, Shady Grove
E Kimsey, Mount Eolia
A N Miles, Wilseott.

—LICENTIATES:

L Galloway, Ivy Log
W R Mulkey, Blairsville
G W Overby, Ivy Log.

LAWRENCEVILLE.

J J Davis, Lawrenceville
A Holaway, Cain's
W Haslett, Lawrenceville
A L Higgins, Chinquepin
Grove
A S Kelly, Cain's
T Mathews, Berkshire.
—LICENTIATES:
W G Akins, Oak Grove
H T Davis, Lawrenceville
T E Kennedy, "
L Loveless, Lawrenceville
W J Pirkle, Hog Mountain

MIDDLE.

A E Cassidy, Guyton
W Cooper, Ogeechee
J Edwards, Springfield
J C Edwards, Egypt
S A Edwards, Savannah
G L Jackson, Sylvania
W W Lee, Ogeechee
M N M Call, Black Creek
J Middleton, Black Creek
W J Murrow, Millen
C R Nesmith, Mobley's Pond
S Simmons, Scarboro
Wm Spier, Guyton
T Tool, Guyton.

—LICENTIATES:

G W Best, Springfield
C B Harst, Mobley's Pond
T W Lister, Egypt
J E Wilson, Springfield.

MIDDLE CHEROKEE.

A Adams, Sonora
E M Ames, Dalton
Wm Bates, Spring Place
H F Buchanan, Calhoun
A W Buford, Cassville
J L Burns, Tunnel Hill
J L Chapman, Fairmount
A Chastain, Red Bank
Benj Chastain, Fairmount
J T Compton, Wollawa
John Crawford, Cassville
W Drummond, Etowah
S C Elliott, Kingston
A J Evans, Foster's Mills
A Fitzgerald, Dalton
J J Gilbert, Dalton
J Garrett, Foster's Mills
J Goodwin, Kingston
S H Hamilton, Adairsville
J A R Hanks, Dalton
D Johnson, Spring Place
J W Lewis, Cartersville
Edward McAbee, Dalton
W B McGan, Everett's Mills
M C Owens, Cassville
Thomas Rambaut, Cassville
A J Rippey, Foster's Mills
J H B Sheffield, Calhoun
N R Smith, Blacks ville
D Tearry, Hostler's Mills
R Ware, Dogwood Valley

—LICENTIATES:

John Davis, Coosawattree
W J Walls, Dogwood Valley
G W Robbins, Woodlawn
J G Stringer, Foster's Mills

MOUNTAIN.

John Coffee, Clayton
W E Philyaw, Clayton
B Wall, Clayton
Wm Watts, Clayton.
—LICENTIATES:
R Dickson, Clayton
L Evans, Clarkesville
G Trotter, Clarkesville
C Watts, Clayton.

MOUNT VERNON.

J S Chiple, Buckley
J W Coston, Sandersville
L J Harrison, Dublin
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CONSTITUTION

OF THE
BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA
AS AMENDED IN 1855.

1. This body is constituted upon those principles of Christian Faith exhibited in Scripture, generally acknowledged and received in the Baptist Denomination.

2. The constituents of this body shall be the Baptist Associations in the State of Georgia, or as many of them as may accede to the terms of this Convention and whose constitution shall be approved by the Convention; and such Auxiliary Society as shall contribute annually to our funds according to the terms hereinafter prescribed, and whose constitutions shall be approved. Associations and Societies, located out of the State, may be received into the Body, when their peculiar location and other circumstances may, in the judgment of the Convention, render it desirable and important.

3. It shall be known and distinguished by the name of "THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA."

4. Each Association shall be entitled to four delegates, and to one additional delegate for every five hundred members; provided the number of delegates for any one Association shall never exceed fifteen. Each Auxiliary Society contributing annually fifty dollars to the funds of the Convention, shall be entitled to one delegate, and to one additional delegate for each additional hundred dollars contributed as aforesaid; not to exceed three delegates for any Society. All delegates shall hold their appointments until others are elected to succeed them. The delegates to the Body shall be orderly members of regular Baptist Churches.

5. The officers of this Union shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and Assistant Clerk, and a Treasurer, who shall be appointed by ballot at each annual meeting.

6. An Executive Committee, consisting of at least seven members, shall be chosen at each annual meeting, whose duty it shall be to attend to the business of the Convention during its recess. This Committee shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur, and also shall appoint a Treasurer in case of vacancy in that office.

7. The Clerk shall enter in a book all the transactions of this Body. The Assistant Clerk shall take charge of all distant communications, in or from the Body, and shall write all letters which it may require.

8. The Treasurer shall take charge of all monies, specialities and property of all kinds belonging to the Body—give sufficient security for the amount, his hands—report the state of the funds from time to time, as the Convention may direct, and hand over to his successor in office all its monies, properties, &c.

9. The acts and proceedings of this body shall be submitted, from time to time to its constituents for inspection; and none of its decisions shall be binding on the Associations or Auxiliaries.

10. The following are the specific objects of this body, viz: 1. To unite the influence and pious intelligence of Georgia Baptists, and thereby to facilitate their union and co-operation. 2. To form and encourage plans for the revival of experimental and practical religion in the State and elsewhere. 3. To aid in giving effect to useful plans of the several Associations. 4. To afford an opportunity to those who may conscientiously think it their duty to form a fund for the education of pious young men, who may be called by the Spirit and the Churches to the Christian Ministry. 5. And to promote pious and useful education in the Baptists denomination.

11. It shall have power to form rules, make arrangements and appoint committees for the accomplishment of any and all the above objects: *Provided*, none of these rules and arrangements shall be inconsistent with the Scriptures and the known principles of the Associations.

12. Two-thirds of the whole number of delegates present shall form a quorum and a majority shall decide a question.

13. When its funds will justify it, this body may send delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention.

14. The above Constitution shall be liable to amendment or alteration, by two-thirds of the delegates present, at any of its annual meetings.

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